THE WESTRES To-DAY .- From our reother to-day will be rainy and cooler.

THE WEATEER YESTSEDAY was clear and good during the folenoon, with brisk variathe winds. In the atternoon and at night it

was cloudy and rainy. Auril 2, 1875.

LOCAL MATTERS.

BELIGIOUS SERVICES To-Morrow. - The shal religious services will be held in all of city charches to-morrow except the folwing special appointments: First Baptist - Rev. J. L. Carroll, of Warreplot, Va., at 11 A. M.; Rev. D. B. Winee, D. D. at 7:45 P. M.- a discourse berathe Young Men's Missionary Society. second Bugdist .- Rev. John M. Pilcher, of complete, at 11 A. M.; Rev. J. L. Carroll,

ace Street Baplist .- Rev. A. C. Barron, Lexington, Va., at 11 A. M. and S P. M. Seventh Street Christian .- Rev. J. Z. tler at 11 A. M. Rev. J. E. Hutson, of Sound Prestylerian .- Sermon to children 24 A. M. Other services as usual at 11 A.

M. and 4½ P. M. contenary Methodist .- Rev. Bishop D. S. Degett at 11 A. M. Rev. John E. Edwards, D. D., at 8 P. M.

Temity Methodist - Rev. A. C. Bledsoe at NicholomoStreet Methodist .- Rev. H. T. Boom at 11 A. M.; after which the sacraent of the Lord's Supper will be adminis-Rev. Bishep D. S. Doggett at 31 M.: the paster at 7:45 P. M. The following is a list of the appointments

nule by the African Methodist Episcopal Intra-Street Methodist, - Bishop Campbell 11 A. M.; Bisnop Wayman at 3 P. M.; lev. Mr. Schearman at S P. M. First Baptist. - Bishop Wayman at 11 A.

Key, Mr. Offer at 3 P. M.; Rev. Mr. ond Emplish - Rev. Mr. Cook at 11 A. Bishop Campbell at 3 P. M.; Rev. Mr.

Mr. Rev. Mr. Hurley at 3 P. M.; Rev. loggs at S.P. M. aborezo, - Rev. J. Pindle at 11 A. M.: Mr. Coffe at 3 P. M.; Rev. Mr. Hunter

M.: Rev. Mr. Armistead at S P. M. eg Cherch,- Rev. Mr. Lee at 11 A. Mr. Rev. Mr. Davis at 3 P. M.; Rev. Mr.

at of Directors of the Richmond, Frede--burg and Potomae Radroad Company ations were unanimously adopted: Whereas by the decision of the Supreme

art of Appeals of Virginia rendered on lluance of the city of Richmond which robibits the use of locomotives by this comon Broad street has been affirmed;

Residred. That so long as the said decision termin in force this company (without mandoning its right to cause the same to be and by the Supreme Court of the and states) will comply with the said or-

i. i. That the general superintendent he tend be and he is hereby instructed

to make the changes above ordered. odeed. That a copy of these resolutions communicated to the Board of Aldermen at to the Common Council of the city of

Elsewhere in the Dispatch will be found a Eighth and Broad streets. The sale is to he place on the 13th of April, and as the env is among the most valuable in the it will probably command a high price. The accommodation train will hereafter eave the Byrd-Street depôt in place of the dejot at the corner of Eighth and Broad sincis, as heretofore.

A WAR THAT IS A PUBLIC BLESSING .- The hes peake and Ohio Railroad Company has polis. Louisville, and St. Louis as low, if nomy and pleasure by taking this route.

doted man; and James Ferguson and algod with burglariously entering and bring the post-office at Guiney's station, accounts, on Sunday the 1st of Feb-

l'elersburg, through John M. West, Esq., Underneats the picture, in a fac stude of Latayette's handwriting, is the fol- hearty cooperation of all our people. lowing: "This is to certify that the bearer, by the name of James, has done essential the enemy's camp were industriously collected and most faithfully delivered. He perfectly acquitted himself with some important commissions I gave bim, and aplears to me entitled to every reward his situation will admit of.

DAILY DISPATCH.

RICHMOND, VA., SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 3, 1875. VOL. XLVII.

Council. A joint session of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen was held yesterday

In the absence of Mr. Meredith, president of the Board of Aldermen, Mr. Johnson of Clay Ward, president of the Common

Board of Aldermen and Common

had been called in order that the members of the two branches as individuals might consult together and agree upon some response to the mandamus awarded against the City parts this maraing the probabilities are that Council by Judge Guigon commanding them to erect a sufficient jail for the city of Rich-

Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Lost. Mr. Kellam moved that a committee of tive be appointed to prepare suitable resolu-

tions as a response to the peremptory order. Mr. Christian, as a substitute, moved that the subject be referred to a special committee, consisting of three on the part of the Common Council and two on the part of the Board of Aldermen, to report forthwith a response to the mandamus. Agreed to; and the Chair appointed Messrs. Christian, Straus, and Pulliam on the part of the Common Council, and Messrs. Scott and Kellam of the Board.

The committee retired, and after a short absence returned, and through their chairman, Mr. Christian, presented the following response; which was read and unanimously

The response is as follows:

In answer to the rule issued by your honorable court on the 16th day of March, 1875. against the members of the Council of the city of Richmond, "to show cause why the Commonwealth's writ of mandamus should not be issued against them, in accordance with the act of the General Assembly of Virginia, to erect a sufficient jul for the said city," your respondents beg leave respect-fully to submit the following return:

until by your order entered on the 3d day of March, 1875, when Messrs. Franklin Stearns, P. W. Grubbs, and Dr. James we zer Baplist .- Rev. A. Pindle at 11 Beale were appointed inspectors to report upon the condition of the juil of this city, in compliance with the provisions of said sec-

examination in obedience to said order, submitted their report, which was filed in your Methodist Epis apal Church,-Rev. Mr. honorable court on the 12th day of March, 180 at 11 A. M.: Rev. Mr. Jameison at 3 1875, and published in the daily papers of this city on the morning following. Until this report was thus published and read by your respondents they were in total ignorance of the real condition of the jail of this city, as exhibited by said report, THE FREDERICKSBURG RAILROAD COMPANY and they have not, through their officers DESCRIVE TO USE HORSE-POWER HEREAFTER or otherwise, as your Honor has, almost STREET - ACTION OF THE BOARD OF daily communication with this institution, TORS YESTERDAY .- At a meeting of the and there being, as before stated, no reports from the court as to its insufficiency, your respondents could draw no other interence than that the jail of the city was a "suffi-

cient" jail within the meaning of the law. Long before the order appointing these Ist day of April, 1875, the validity of the it had been suggested informally to your repairs made.

At the first meeting of either branch of your respondents after the publication of the report of your inspections, and before

offered and unanimously referred, by the offered, to the proper committee, viz. : Resolved by the Council of the city of Richmond (the Board of Aldermen con-

curring). That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be requested to examine and report to the Council as soon as

2d. What will be the cost of such addition and improvement in said jail; and 3d. What will be the estimated cost of

buying the ground and building a new jail in a different location from the present one, after deducting therefrom what can probably be derived from the sale of the ground on which the proposed sale by auction of the alroad company's lots at the corner of material out of which it is built.

Your respondents therefore respectfully submit that if the jul of this city is not a sufficient one within the meaning of the law. it is not from any detault on their part, They have taken the initiatory steps already to do all that the law requires to provide a "sufficient" jail for the city of Richmond, and they intend to provide the same, as soon and hearts of the pupils. it is practicable for them to do so consistently

and announces rates to Cincinnati, Indian- gest that under the circumstances it made would apply equally to any system, by your Hosor was premature and uniform lessons greatly preponderate over Onio and Pennsylvania Railroad unnecessary at the time it was awarded, the disadvantages, The remarkable cheapness of and that your respondents ought to have alread tickets and the fine weather soon to had at least one opportunity after they were called out, and made a facetious, earnest, will inspire people who never travelled advised of the true condition of the jail to and effective reply to Mr. Carroll. aveiled terore to travel the more. The Ches- premises as were necessary before the harsh happy speech. are and Ohio Kailroad track is in good con- and unusual proceeding, by way of mandamus, was resorted to against them; and they ad the country through which the line further respectfully suggest to your Honor lifteen or twenty advocates of the system - de ignum to look upon. If any of that it seems to them that it is unnecessary anxious to speak) the Convention then people are inclined to follow Greeley's to award a peremptory mandamus against passed on to the next order, which was them to require them to do what they are BIBLICAL GEOGRAPHY, WITH ILLUSTRATIONS. already doing as fast as practicable. And By Professor Otis Mason, of Columbian Unihaving fully answered, they pray to be hence versity.

> and Common Council. Adjourned.

12 hol more than \$25 in money, were stolen rooms on Thursday evening next. The oband riff of. Ferguson and Turner were sent ject of this meeting is the election of officers on for indictment. Boy was discharged and consideration of imporant changes in the prosecution, but recognized as a the constitution. The Association during witness to appear against the boys. Fer. the past year has enjoyed a great degree of and the line of the prosperity under its present efficient officers, and bids fair in the future to be a great moral power in our State. The good effects of the late assembly of delegates in conven-PINION OF HIM. - Mr. Thomas Whyte, of tion in this city are already seen in the pumerous applications from nearly all parts of beliefday presented to the State Library an the State for copies of the by-laws of the Richad lithographic print containing the pic- mond Association and instructions how to This enterprise deserves and is receiving the pointed to spen, the discussion was intro- bob, superintendent, or teacher, but the the of a colored gentleman of "ye olden proceed in organizing new associations.

COMMERCIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY .-The Commercial Fire Insurance Company, mand in this State. His intelligences from of Virginia, of which, Mr. S. H. Pulliam is president, yesterday received its charter from the Circuit Court of Richmond.

a number of black bass.

SCHOOL CONVENTION.

LAST DAY.

Morning Session. The Convention was opened at 9½ o'clock. and after prayer by Rev. J. Lee Taylor the order of the day was called:

ESSAY-BEST PLAN FOR DISTRICT ORGANIZA-TIONS.

By Dr. J. M. Evans, of Middlesex. Dr. Evans proposed to take an army organization as a type of a good Sunday-school organization. He would let the individual school represent the company, the schools of the county the regiment, the schools of the district the brigade, those of a given section the division, and those of the whole State a corps of the great Sunday-school army. He gave a detailed statement of the organization in the Rappahannock Association,

which was effected three years ago. Rev. George H. Northam was appointed general superintendent for the whole Association, and has been most efficient in supervising the work of the whole Association. The Association was divided into three districts. There is a superintendent for each district appointed by the general superintendent, and they in turn appoint the county superintendents, leaving it to the individual chools to select their own superintendents. He gave a vivid sketch of the results of this organization, and suggested that the organ-

ization should be extended to the whole Rev. Wayland F. Dunaway then opened the general discussion in a most effective address. After giving some further details of the organization and practical working of the plan in theR appabannock Association he passed to speak of the need of organiza-

He concurred in the remark made the other night that we come to these meetings for information and for inspiration. We need information, and to catch inspiration for our work. But of far more importance still, he thought, was to put into operation what we learn. And we can only work to advantage by having proper organization.

He alluded to the Conservative organization which won the great victory in Virginia in 1869 as a good one, which might be carried into the Sunday-school organization of the State. He was inclined to think that the time had come when there should be changes in the working of the State organization. He was inclined to think that the time had come when the Sunday-School Board should be abolished. It had done a great work in the past, but in the progress of our work there had come to be a general feeling that the Board has finished its work. He regarded this feeling as the reason the contributions to the Board had been so meagre. He favored the separation of the Sunday-school work from the other work of the General Association, and the appointment by this Convention of a central committee, who should perfect the organization in the way suggested. He would have this Convention made permanent, and would put it into cooperation with the American Baptist

Publication Society. He presented the following as the benefits to be derived from district conventions: 1. They exhibit and unity the elements of

Baptist strength. 2. They diffuse the Sunday-school spirit. 3. By comparison of views the best methods are secured.

4. They are a great blessing to the individual church at which they are beld. 5. They are very valuable as a means of

strength. 6. It promotes the establishment and fostering of mission schools. As a practical result of the working of

such a convention in his section (the Northern Neck) they now have twenty-six Sunday chools for their only fifteen churches.

Mr. Dunaway elaborated these points into very clear, earnest, and effective speech. The question was further discussed in earnest speeches by E. T. Montague, Esq., X. X. Charters, Dr. W. R. Vaughan, J. M. Pilcher, C. T. Sutherlin, E. T. Rice, and C.

H. Ryland. Pending a resolution requesting the Sunday-School Board to seek to organize conventions similar to those in the Rappahanock Association, the order of the day was called work. for, and Rev. J. L. Carrell, of Warrenton,

IS THE UNIFORM-LESSON SYSTEM THE ONE BEST ADAPTED TO GENERAL USE IN OUR SCHOOLS? tions to the system, which he proceeded to tem, but feared that among some who used state and elaborate with his usual ability

and earnestness: 1. Its want of adaptation to the mental condition of a large proportion of the scholars. It is not suited to the less advanced classes. 2. It is ill-adapted to the mental capacity of

many teachers. 3. It is working actual and serious injury to many scholars by producing a lack of in-

terest on the part of both scholars and teachers. 4. It supersedes the good old system of catechetical instruction and the memorizing England and Scotland and portions of this of Scripture, in which he believed. He be-

lieved in drilling the children in the brief but comprehensive definitions of the stand-5. He objected to the system because it was undenominational and ignored the pecu-

liar tenets of our faith. E. T. Montague, Esq, endorsed all of the objections made by Mr. Carroll, and made the additional objection that the feacher has not in its use the freedom which is desirable in bringing the truth to bear on the minds

Rev. J. T. Whitley, of the Christian denomination, was called out, and made an earnest

Rev. J. Z. Tyler, of the Disciples, was

Mr. Carroll rejoined in a brief but very Mr. E. E. Mason advocated the uniformlesson system in a few remarks, and (with

With an excellent assortment of maps to Signed by all the members of the Board illustrate his subject, Professor Mason made a lecture of deep interest and of great value-full of instruction, and very suggestive as to the uses which may be made of Biblical geography. It showed great research, a thorough famillarity with the subject, and great skill in interesting his audi-He closed with an eloquent presentation

of the geographical relations of Palestine to the world and the world's history. At the close of his lecture Rev. Dr. Curry moved the thanks of the Convention to Protessor Mason for his "chaste, able, eloquent,

and instructive lecture." Afternoon Session. After prayer by Rev. J. L. Carroll, the order of the afternoon was announced,

ABSENTEEIS,M : ITS CAUSES AND CURE. In the absence of Rev. J. R. Bagby, apduced by Mr. Furman Tupper, of Rich- father, mother, brother a twofe and nature. 1. "the absence of those who never go, and

oug at to be drawn in. 2. Those who belong to the school but are so irregular in attendance that they may be properly called "absentees."

The cause of absenteeism is twofold: Governor the fountains in the Capitol Squerce 1. In the absentee. -2. In the school itself. were cleaned out thoroughly yesterdy g in The evil heart is one fruitful cause of absenorder to make arrangements for hatching out teeism. Pupils do not go because they do not wish to come in contact with the search-

conduct of many who are not members of the school generally? the school-their evil influence in leading the members of the school astray. The causes in the school are: 1. Unattractive schools. The room is often dark and dingy. and the appliances are in every way unattractive. The children come from comfortable homes, and from the comfortable and attractive rooms of the day-school, as modern school-house architecture" has made them, into these rude Sunday-school

rooms, and the revulsion is such that they are not inclined to come again. 2. Incompetency in teachers is a fruitful cause of absenteeism. As the children of the day-school very soon discover an incompetent teacher, and would avoid him if they could, so the Sunday-school teacher very soon tires of an incompetent teacher, 3. There is too much dependence apon human means, and too little upon the Divine

Spirit. More prayer, faith, and hope are needed. The cures are to be made at home and in the school. He spoke, of course, of homes of intelligence and piety. These homes may do much to cure absenteeism by the early inculcation of the love of truth, and by bringing the home into lively sympathy with the school. The school may cure absenteeism by making the Sunday school room the most pleasant and delightful of the church-building. The nursery should be the most delightful room in our home, and the Sundayschool room should be bright, beautiful, and

We should insist upon having better teachers. And we should use every means to attract, that we may save the souls of our oupils. And while bringing in the absent we should be sure to seek to take care of those who are regularly present.

ttractive.

Mr. Tupper's address was warmly comnended as one of the best of the Conven-

DISTRICT ORGANIZATION. After a very effective speech by Colonel T . Evans, Rev. C. H. Ryland called up the subject of district organization, which was under consideration this morning, and offered the following substitute for the pending resolution; which was unanimously adopted:

" Resolved, That we have heard with oleusure the presentation and discussion of the subject of district Sunday-school conventions; that we believe such conventions will greatly promote the success of the schools, swelling their numbers, improving their methods, and increasing their zeal." Resolved, That this Convention affection ately urges the formation of such sub district conventions in all the Associations of the

Resolved, That the Sunday-School and Bible Board be requested to convey these resolutions to the Associations at their next annual meetings, with a digest of the plan submitted.

AN ADDITIONAL SECRETARY. On motion of Rev. J. M. Pilcher the folowing was adopted:

Resolved, That the General Association of Virginia be requested to appoint at its next innual meeting an additional secretary, whose duty it shall be to gather and publish in the minutes tull and complete statistics of our State work.

Professor Mason was called out at 5 o'clock. and for another hour entertained and in- journed. structed the Convention on his theme · Biblical Geography."

Night Session.

In spite of the rain a large congregation assembled at the First Baptist church to pardiffusing and promoting denominational ticipate in the closing exercises of the Convention. Professor Minor's Sunday-school choir was in place, and delighted the congregation during the evening with some of their sweetest songs.

After prayer by Rev. O. Ellyson, the chairman of the Committee on Credentials (Rev. J. H. Newbill) reported that there had been present at the Convention over 300 delegates and a large number of visitors), representing 18 associations and 175 churches.

The report was received, and the secretary instructed to add to the list such additional names as might be handed him.

It was announced that a time would be spent in

TEN-MINUTE SPEECHES on the different phases of the Sunday-school

Rev. John B. Turpin, of Halifax, was the first speaker, and made a very effective Otis of Richmond, visited the Conference, speech on "The Relation of the Sunday-School Teacher to his Bible." He was an Mr. Carroll said that he had five object ardent supporter of the uniform-lesson sysit there was a tendency to neglect general reading and study of the Scriptures.

He closed with an earnest and confident expression of the hope that these delegates will go home to stir up their churches to take deeper interest in the Sunday-School and such others that it may be deemed ad-Board and to instruct their delegates to the General Association to say it cannot, must

not, shall not, die. Rev. A. C. Barron, of Lexington, was the next speaker, and gave an interesting sketch of the "Bible-readings" which are stirring country, and carnestly insisted that the suc- prayer of Jesus that they may be one. cess of these readings shows what a Sundayschool teacher may do with only the simple of this point, among them the effect of a simple Bible-lesson on the mind of a young Japanese who was a student at Washington and Lee University, and professed conversion, and was baptized by the speaker. Professor Otis Mason next made a stirring speech, in which he insisted that the good

teacher must know what he has to teach, know himself, and know his pupils. Dr. Craddock, of Halifax county, wanted to talk three minutes to his country brethren. He earnestly insisted that where high intelligence cannot be found, even the humblest talent will be blessed if rightly di-

rected. Let those who can't give brain-service give heart service, which is better. THE QUESTION BOX was next opened, and D. Hatcher an-

swered. 1. How can we best improve the lessons of this Convention? Answer: Carry them home to your

churches. 2. Should a teacher leave his class to go elsewhere, what should be done with him? Answer : Turn him out. 3. How can you have a Baptist Sunday

chool in a Union house of worship? Answer: It cannot be done, and while Union schools are not generally best, they re in such cases admissible. 4. Should a Sunday-school teacher marry

an unconverted man? Answer: If the man is a gentleman she may win him over. 5. Should an unconverted teacher be employed in a Sunday Fchool?

yes, if you cannot do better. 6. Should the superintendent or the leader of the music select the songs to be sung? Answer: The leader, unless you want a row. But if you will always treat the musicpeople right there will be no trouble. 7. How do you train your boys for their

dialogues? In answer to this Dr. Hatcher gave a very interesting account of his "boys." 8. What is the relation of the pastor to the Sunday school? Answer: Some of them are about forty

third cousins. The pastor should not be namond. He spoke of "absenteeism" as of that his coming will brighten every eye and collecte's, 9,588; papers collected, 9,109. every beart. 9. How much time should a superintendent spend in talking to his school?

Answer: None. He was not elected to 10. Does Dr. Hatcher regard the exercise & of last night as suitable for a Sunday ir issionary meeting? Answer: He had such meetings at his

11. Should the business of the, school be

The City Jail-A Joint Session of the THE VIRGINIA BAPTIST SUNDAY- | ing truth of God's Word. The inconsistent | transacted by the officers and teachers or by | Answer: By the officers and teachers, by

all means. These and a number of other questions

Dr. Hatcher answered promptly and in a very | Captain Gentry's health began to decline last happy strain. Rev. C. H. Ryland made a few closing re-

marks. On motion of Rev. J. L. Carroll the thanks of the Convention were returned to Brother George A. Minor for the highly efficient panied him, and rendered all the assistance monner in which he had conducted the mu-

On motion of Professor Otis Mason the usual vote of thanks for hospitalities, &c. was passed. The President made up earnest and ap-

propriate valedictory, Rev. J. O. Turpin led ful. in prayer, and the Convention adjourned sine die.

Virginia Conference of the African

Methodist Church. The ninth annual session of the Virginis Conference of the African Methodist Church was held in the Third-Street Methodist church on Thursday. The Conference was opened with religious exercises conducted the company, and was regarded as one of the by Bishop J. P. Campbell, D. D., LL. D. Upon a call of the roll a quorum was found of people who met with him in travelling to be in attendance, Rev. W. B. Derrick, Rev. A. Pindle, and Rev. W. D. W. Schureman were chosen secretaries.

face and friendly greeting. In his death the Fredericksburg Railroad Company loses On motion, the hours of meeting were fixed at 9 A. M. and 3 P. M .- the session in the a favorite officer, Etchmond a valuable citimorning to last until 1 P. M., while the zen and his family a devoted bushind and meeting in the afternoon was designed for father. Deceased was a member of Hines religious services.
Messrs. Lee, Winston, and Scott were

elected marshals for the Conference. The following standing committees were appointed for the ensuing year: Finance.-Rev. W. B. Derrick, J. Strange and J. H. Off-r.

Public Worship.—Rev. W. B. Derrick,

Rev. M. Marshall, and Thomas Hewlett. Dollar Money .- Rev. J. Strange. Missionary Money .- Rev. M. Marshall. Temperance .- Rev. J. Strange, G. Wil-

lams, and Rev. M. Marshall. Education .- J. K. Plato, J. E. Cook, and Missions .- Rev. Aaron Pindle, R. Davis and P. Shepherd. Circuit Stations and Missions .- J. W

Diggs, R. Goyan, and G. Jimeson. Sabbath Schools .- Rev. W. D. W. Schure man, P. M. Only, and S. Jones.

State of the Church.—Rev. W. B. Der rick, Rev. J. Strange, and J. H. Offer. Book Concern .- Rev. W. B. Derrick, Rev.

J. Strange, and J. W. Diggs. Petitions .- Revs. Parker, Offer, and Mar Rev. Mr. Carroll, of the Methodist Episcopal Church; Rev. T. Hurley, of the Obio Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church; and Rev. M. Jones, of the Union Methodi-t Church, were introduced to the

Conference. The transfer of Rev. Mr. Hurley from the with being drunk and trespassing on the Ohio Conference, by Bishop D. A. Payne, to premises of Frank Hill, was sent to jail for the Virginia Conference was read and received. The Bishop announced that at 71 P. M. of being disorderly in the street, were fines the annual sermon would be preached; after

which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper would be administered. Appointments for Sunday preaching were announced; after which the Conference ad-

The Conference met pursuant to adjournment, at which time the annual sermon was preached by Rev. J. E. Cook, from Hebrews, twelfth chapter and twenty-eighth verse. The sermon was quite interesting, and was listened to with marked attention. After the sermon, the sacrament was ad-

ministered by Bishop Wayman, of Balti-SECOND DAY. The Conference met yesterday at 9 A. M. Bisnop Campbell presiding, and Rev. Aaron Pindle conducting the religious exercises. Bishop Wayman was introduced to the

and assigned a prominent seat near Bishop Campbell. Reports from several committees were read and received. The report of the financial secretary represented the monetary aftairs of the Conference to be in a favorable condition.

Conference, welcomed by Rev. Mr. Derrick,

Rev. Mr. Spriggs of the North Carolina Conference, Rev. Mr. Manly and Rev. Mr. and were appropriately received. Rev. Mr. Derrick presented a preamble and the tollowing resolutions; which were

agreed to. Resolved, That we will form ourselves into an alliance and become a part and parcel of the World's Alliance. Resolved, That Bishop J. P. Campbell our presiding officer, be chosen as a delegate,

visable to elect, to represent tais body in the

next World's Alliance, which meets in Eu-Resolved, That we will endeavor more fully among ourselves, and more constantly in our relations to other denominations, to cherish Christian unity, and so fulfil the

The subject of church extension was discussed at length, A. J. Hamilton and W. J. Word of God. He gave several illustrations Fuller were admitted on trial, and after the transaction of routine business the Confer ence adjourned until to day.

> FLECTION OF TEMPERANCE OFFICERS .- Excelsior Division, No. 25, Sons of Temperance (colored), has elected the following officers : William H. Manning, W. P.; Samuel T. Hucles, W. A.; William F. Johnson, R. S.; Joseph H. Harper, F. S.; William F. Johnson, A. R. S.; William T. White, Treasurer : Edward Norris, Chap.; Wilton Taylor, Con. William H. Stewart, A. C.; George Tay lor, I. S.; Martin Quarles, O. S.; Abram Lucas and William T. White, P. W. P.'s. These officers will be installed by D. D. G. W. P. William F. Brown at the first meeting in April. This Division is represented to be in a prosperous condition. Living Star Division, No. 7 (colored), Sons

of Temperance, has elected the following officers: A. Ambler Drew, W. P.; Mrs. W. E. Oakley, W. A.; Robert H. Sayles, R. S.; lowing verses Com the fifth chapter of St Mi-s Hannah Tompkins, A. R. S.; I. H. Matthew: "Blessed are the pure in heart Roberts, F. S.; George H. Perry, T.; R. A. for they shall see God." "Blessed are the Scott, Chap.; N. A. Robinson, Cou.; E. J. peatemakers, for they shall be called the chil-Coleman. A. C.; M. A. Jenkins, I. S.; dren of God. Charles H. Berkley, O. S.; Richard Adams,

These officers will be installed at the next a credit not only to those who have to stated meeting of the Division by D. D. G. modelled it, but to the pastor and congrega-W. P. Aaron A. Drew, assisted by the grand tion, who have supplied the means to make At the last regular meeting of Har-

mony Division, Sons of Temperance, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term : W. Hancock, W. P.; R. B. Wilson, W. A.; W. T. Hancock, R. man citizens of Richmond for the purpose S.; W. E. Howle, A. R. S.; Frank Bergedict, of promoting social intercourse among its Answer: No, if you can do better; but F. S.; C. Crawford, T.; H. R. Smitn, chaplain; Edward Rund, C.; Thomas, Southall, A. C.; George Long, I. S.; Report Hol z. man character. The wives and daughters of back, O. S.; J. Shields 'Acard, P. W. P. the members always participate in the social These officers will be prablicly installed on rednions of the association, and lend their next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Ad- valuable assi-tance to any entertainment dresses will be made by several speakers.

> following is a state ment of the letter-carriers' that Flotow's beautiful opera "Stradella work for March: I registered letters delivered, should be studied and produced in public, 704; mail-levers, delive ed, 109,385; mail- with the entire vocal strength of the assocards Ce iverer's, 13,364; drop-letters de ciation. The proposal received general aplivered, 7.815; drop-cards delive ed, 5.697; proval, and in a short time the respective papers deliv ered, 43,202. Letters collected, parts were assigned and the rehearsals com-459; dr op letters collected, 3,086; cards menced. Since then the opera has been re-JALE OF REAL ESTATE. - Messrs. James M. T aylor & Son, real estate agents and auction- member of the association, whether cast in

T aylor & Son, real estate agents and above the solution brick approximately a prominent part of in the chords, all in each of the enthusiasm and zeal naturally inhibited the enthusiasm and zeal nat for \$6,802. . INTERNAL REVENUE COLLECTIONS. — The audience. It is under such auspices amount of revenue collections in this district as these that the Richmond public will have for the month of March was \$149,460,87.

THE DISPATCH.

TERMS OF ADVERTISING: One square, one insertion...... One square, two insertions
One square, three insertions
One square, three insertions
One square, ix insertions
One square, twelve insertions
One square, one month...
One square, two months.
One square, three months.

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ment in this climate, he in February went to

change. Dr. Williams, of this city, accom-

that a faithful friend and good physician

could give; but the seeds of consumption

were too deeply rooted to make human ef-

forts of small. From the meagre information so far received it is believed that his suffer-

ings were not scute, and his end was peace-

Captain Gentry was born on Church

Hill, in this city, in 1838. At the age of fourteen he entered the ser-

vice of the Richmond, Fredericks-burg and Potomac Railroad Company.

Ever fattbful, diligent, and courteous, his

promotion was steady. He rose from one

of the humblest positions to one of the high-

est and most responsible officer in the gift of

best railroad men of the State. Thousands

over or doing business with his railroad

company will long remember his kindly

Lodge Knights of Pythias, Friendship

Lodge Independent Order of Odd-Fellows

St. Joon's Lodge, No. 36, and Loge Fran-

The body of Captain Gentry passed

through Savannah, Ga., yesterday morning,

and is expected to arrive here at 9:25 to

night or at 2 P. M. to-morrow. The funeral

will take place to-morrow (Sunday) after

Dr. Williams, who went with Captain

SUPREME COURT OF AFFEALS. - Utterback'

administrator vs. Cooper et als. Fully ar-

gued by William Green, Esq., for the appellants and Colonel John S. Mosby for the ap-

The "salt" cases have been continued

The cases of Booker vs. Kirkpatrick and

POLICE COURT, YESTERDAY: - Police-Justice

Joseph J. White presiding .- W. B. Hoge

William Smith and Charles Brice, charged

Mary Murphy, an old offender, charged

Charles Gibson and Cary Claiborne, guilt

on the premises of and cursing Martha A.

Tyler, was bound over to keep the peace.

sample without a license, was discharged.

Ella Bates was fined \$2 for being disorder-

STATE PRINTING-THE WORK FOR THE

NEXT TWELVE MONTHS LET TO CONTRACT .-

the next twelve months. The principal bids

the Superintendent to designate the printers

selections thus made the awards were made

To James E. Goode, Acts of Assembly

Senate bills, documents, and journal; House

bills, documents, and journal; job-work for

Auditor of Public Accounts, Second Audi-

tor, and for the two houses of the General

To George W. Gary, all printing for the

Secretary of the Commonwealth, Executive

Department, the annual reports of Boards,

Institutions, &c., (except the report of the

Superintendent of Public Instruction), all

job-work for State Treasurer, Superintend-

ent of Public Buildings, Register of the

To Clemmitt & Jones, all work for State

Price for book-work: Composition, 65

Price for job-work: Composition, 30

To Randolph & English, the binding of

To Simons & Keiningham, all other bind-

ing, ruling, stitching, &c., and lithographic

THE NEW THIRD-STREET METHODIST

CHURCH .- The repairs to the Third-Street

Methodist church (colored), have been so

nearly comp'e'ed that the congregation is

how enabled to use the main andience-room

as well as the lecture-room. At present the

Virginia Confe ence is holding its sessions in

The building has been considerably en-

larged and greatly improved as a cost of about

\$800, and is now an ernament to that por-

tion of the city. The lecture-room has been

supplied with two handsome new furnaces,

which will also heat the midin audience-room

The formal dedication too's place on Sunday,

upon which occasion the services were of a

very interesting character. In the base-

ment of the old charch there were formerly

several rooms, which have now been thrown

immediately over the pulpit appears the fol-

Upon the western wall of the church and

The church-furniture is quite handsome

GRAND OPERA IN RICHMOND. - The "Ge

sangverein Virginia," of Richmond, is an

association formed many years ago by Ger

members and fostering the love of music and

that may be projected. About a year

ago the the musical director of the as-

sociation, Mr. C. L. Siegel, proposed

practice gives has been attained. Every

a prominent part or in the chorus, has ex-

the highest expectations of a critical

song, which is a prominent trait in the Ger-

and tasteful, and altogether the building is

Board of Education, including annual re-

ports of the Superintendent, and twenty-

fifth volume of Grattan's Reports.

cents; press-work, 50 cents.

cents; press-work, 25 cents.

twenty-fifth Graftan.

ly and using profane language in the street.

with being drunk and creating a disturbance

in the street. Brice was discharged. Smith

was required to pay a fine of \$2.

and Henry T. Andrews were fined \$2 each

Blackford vs. Hurst will be taken up to-mor

Gentry to Florida, writes that he is quite

caise, No. 53, A. F. and A. M.

pellees, and submitted.

for fighting.

six months.

as follows:

Assembly.

ney-General.

printing.

the church.

into the lecture-reem.

the improvements.

until next Wednesday week.

DEATH OF CAPTAIN JOSEPH B. GENTRY. a presentation of "Stradella" with accesso-Captain Joseph B. Gentry, Auditor and ries in the way of scenery, costumes, and other appointments, rarely produced in this country. Alternating with "Stradella" for General Ticket Agent of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Comtwo nights, "Der Freischutz" will be repropany, died at Monticello, Fla., on Thursday. duced by the association with a new cast fall, and as the severe winter came on it grew and improved effects for the "incantation worse. Despairing of any great improve-

We have no doubt of the success of the Florida, and much was hoped from the whole series of entertainments both as to music and financial results. The proceeds will not go from the city, as would be the cose if the Gesangverein were composed of a troupe of travelling professionals. Any surplus after meeting the heavy expenses inassociation has been accumulating for several years for the purpose of building a fine musical hall in Richmond. We trust, therefore, that the Gesangverein will receive a liberal patronage.

[POZ OTHER LOCAL SEE POURTH PAGE.]

OPINEOUS OF THE PELPIT AND THE PRESS IN REGARD TOTHE "LEE "GALLERY: The best PHOTOGRAPH GALLERY in the United CHRISTIAN OBSERVER.

Has neverbeen surpassed, so far as my observation goes, in this style of art. REW. J. L. BUBROWS. This well-known GALLERY shows a steady improvement in style and artistic skill.

CENTRAL PRESETTERIAN. The Pictures are admirably and tastefully ar-REV. J. B. JETER. ranged. Beautiful, astistle, and accurate LIKENESSES. REV. C. C. BETTING.

GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHENG GOODS -For the largest and finest assortment of furnishing goods in the city call on E. B. SPENCE & SON, 1800 Main street. Their stock- is complete, embracing all the new styles of NECK-WEAR, COLLARS; HALF-Hose in white, brown; and fancy styles; UNDER-SHIRTS and DRINKERS of all kinds. If Its want of anything in the CLOTHING-or EGRNISHING line . give E. B. SPENSE & SON, Merchant Tailors, a call. Try the celebrated PEMBROKE WHITE DRESS-SHIRT, which for fit and wear cannot be excelled.

The best collar ever made is the EEMWOOD "It fits better and looks better than anyother.

THE NEWEST, the brightest, the cleanest, and the cheapest dies are at ANTONIS, Main street. Three pounds for 256. 14 2 A. Hel THE GRAND OPERAS "STRADELEA" AND DER FREISCHUTZ!"-After months of prepara-

tion and reheareal the Gesangverein Virginia of Richmond, will in a few days, produce these operas at the Theatre wan a degree of completeness and magnificence never before witnessed in this city. We predict that the entertainment in all of its parts will afford great delight to our music-leving

TWENTY-FIVE CENTS for three pounds new dates at ANTONI'S.

COLLARS, CUFFE-BOWS, etc., at SOHAAP'S. TURKISH PRUNES, for cooking-two pounds for 25c .- at CHRISTIAN'S WILLTE'S.

day if you wish D. COLUMBUS to furnish you stramberry, lemon, van Ma, or chocolate cream. YELLOW BANANAS at ANTONI'S, Main street. PRESERVED GENGER .- PIZZINI has only a small Pleasant Orange, charged with trespassing

lot left, and those-who desire any of it should call

TLEAVE YOUR SEDERS for ICE-CREAM early to-

at once. Price very low. Pat. Hagan, charged with being drunk, REMEMBER, D. COLUMBUS uses no extracts in the E. Fritton, charged with selling goods by

> WHITE MALAGA GRAPES at ANTONI'S. Main BANANAS AND FINE EATING PRUNES at PIZZI

AWAY TO AUTONI'S for new dates. Main street. Major R. F. Walker, Superintendent of Public Printing, yesterday opened the pro-DATES, DATES .- PIZZEN has a few more fine posals for doing the State printing during Dates left at three pounds for 25c.

were found to be uniform in price. The CREAM-COCOANUT and cocoanut-caramels at heads of departments were then invited by DATES -Tree pounds for 25c, at D. COLUMthey preferred, and in accordance with the

BUS'S. SWEET ORANGES .- Go to Pizzini's and get oure sweet and juicy Oranges.

SWEET ORANGES at ANTONI'S, Main street.

UMBREELA HEADQUARTERS AT SCHAAPIS . his morning, and LYZZINI will furnish you with ce-Cream to-morrow. His summer arrangement

or the dallvery of Ice-Cream commences that day. UMBRILLAS from seventy-five cents up to ter dollars at Schaaf's. SEND YOUR BOYS AND GILLS to ANTONI'S for

Land Office, Adjutant-General, and Attorthree pounds new dates. Only 25c. FOR the LATEST, NEWS and PRIME CIGARS OF TOBACCO go to SCHAAP'S. Two ablest physicians prescribe D. Columbus's

ice-cream for their patients. Leave your orders at 321 Broad street and you will get the best.

Somaar's storr is at 1402; Main street. DON'T BE DECERTED .- The only genuine " Exelsior" chargeal-packed Water-Cooler is manufactured by MOUNTCASTLE & COPER at 520 Broad

street, between Fifth and Sixth streets. UMBREIMAS and CANES a specially at SCHAAP'S WALL-PAPER, WINDOW-SRADES, &C - We have fust received all the latest styles of WALL-PAPER, WINDOW-SHADES, CORNICES, NOTTINGHAM-LACE

воотн & Со., CURTALISS &C. Teath street between Main and Bank. ATTEN SALES THIS DAY. D. K. WEISIGER. 5, Pr M., five building lots on

Resirond streets, in the only of Manchester. BUSINESS CHANCES.

Twolfth and Thirteenth between Semmes and

FOR SALE, A GREEN-HOUSE with all the appreciantics thereto, and in excellent all the appreciantics thereto, and in excellent ser. A rare opportunity is offered any one desists of engaging in the floral business. Apply to J. H. WADE. ap 3-2t

POBACCO-FACTORY FIXTURES 1 offer for sale on very liberal terms 2 HUTAIREN 1 King's patent LUMP-MACHINE, 1 12-1940, SHAPE, 10 Boards; 4 'Linch SHAPES, 10 Boards; 1 12-2020 HAPE, 9 Boards,

1 Long 10's SHAPE, 12 Boards; 2 aide GIN-SBAPES, 10 Boards. IRON POTS,
IRONS, TINS,
BLOCKS,
BLOCKS ALFO

corner of Nineteenth and Cary streets. JOTICE.-Having rented store No. 832 Main street for a few days to close out the remaining stock of CHINA. CROCKERY, GLASS and TINWARE, Looking-Glasses, Siep-Ladders, &c., &c., I will sell them at and below cost to close basiness.

BOBERT NOTT,

Main between Eighth and Ninth streets.

FOR SALE, ABOUT 100 TONS OF pure SPRING-WATER ICE, being the conents of an ice-house located in the suburbs of

Manchesier, Apply 10 WILLIAM G. TAYLOR, FOR SALE, ONE LUMBER-WAGON. one FARM-WAGON (from axies), one FARM-WAGON (thimble skelp). FARM-CARTS, LIRT-

CARTS, TWO-HORSE CART, one TAIL-DRAY, one second-hand LUMBER-WAGON-could be converted into a log-wagou.

A. B. LIPSCOMB. mh 31-6t FOR SALE, a light SPRING-WAGON,

peatedly rehearsed, and it may be presumed that in every detail the perfection which practice gives has been attained. Every member of the association, whether cast in a prominent part or in the chorus, has ex-W. C. SMITH, 308 FIFTH STREET.

CARRIAGES, BUGGIES, PONY-PHÆ PONS, and WAHONS. A few second-hand BUGGIKS and WAGONS CO

offered to them in a few days, at the Chestre, hand for sale chesp-

"Done under my band, Richmond, September 19th, 1784. LAFAYETTE."

afternoon in the Council chamber. Council, presided. The Chair announced that the meeting

Mr. Christian moved to adjourn until

agreed to.

To the Hon. A. B. Guigon, Judge of the Hustings Court of the City of Richmond:

By the 5th section of chapter 50 of the Code of 1873 it is provided "that the county 11 A. M. and S.P. M. Subject in the morn-or corporation court of every county or corporation shall at its first term after the commencement of this act, and or corporation shall at its first term after the commencement of this act, and annually thereafter, appoint three persons, one of whom shall be a physician, to inspect the jule within such county, district, or corporation"; and after prescribing the oath to be administered by the court to said persons, the same section further provides that " said inspecters shall make quarterly inspections and report" to the court the condition of said jails. Some of your respondents have taken the trouble to examine the records of your honorable court, and they cannot find that this law has been complied with by the court in any particular since its present organization

tion. These inspectors, having made their

inspectors was entered by your Honor spondents that certain repairs to the boiler in the jail were necessary, and, without waiting for any action of the court, steps are being taken by your respondents to have these re-

the date and service of the rule awarded by your Honor, the tollowing resolutions were branch of the Council in which they were

1st. Whether the present place used as a jail for this city can be so enlarged and improved as to render it a proper jail for the proper care and keeping of the criminals of

with the interests of this community. It is with the greatest respect for the court and forcible reply to Mr. Carroll and Mr. and its judgment that your respondents sug- Montague, insisting that the objections seems to them that the rule awarded and that the advantages of the system of see if they would not take such steps in the

dismissed.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION .- The annual meeting of this Association will be held at their

FISH-CULTURE .-- Under the direction of the,